



Bachelor of Communication and Journalism/Bachelor of Government and International Relations (Domestic students)

Program code	Entry requirements	Prerequisites
1618	65.00	Any General or Applied English subject (Units 3&4, C)
Available at Gold Coast Campus, Nathan Campus	ATAR/RANK 2022 (more)	Assumed knowledge
Duration 4 years full-time 8 years part-time	Commencing in Trimester 1	Nil
Credit points 320		
Indicative fee \$14,500.00* per year (more) * 2022 indicative annual CSP fee		

Degree requirements: Students who started Trimester 1 - 2022

For Domestic and International students not required to complete the English Language Enhancement Course.

For the award of *Bachelor of Communication and Journalism/Bachelor of Government and International Relations [BCommJourn/BGIR]*, you must successfully complete 320 credit points, made up of the core courses AND

- 60 credit points for the International Relations or Politics and Public Policy major;
- 10 credit points for an employability elective course.

Other program requirements

You must successfully complete:

- no more than 120 credit points of Level 1 courses (the first digit of a course code denotes the level);
- at least 60 credit points of Level 3 courses or higher.

This degree may be awarded **with Distinction** where a student achieves a minimum program GPA of 6.5 with no failed courses. The words 'This award was achieved with Distinction' will be recorded on the testamur.

Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Level and Type

The **Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)** is the national policy for regulated qualifications in Australian education and training. The Bachelor of Communication and Journalism and the Bachelor of Government and International Relations are accredited as an AQF Level 7 - Bachelor Degree.

English Language Enhancement

Domestic students enrolled in this program whose first language is not English may complete the following **English Language Enhancement (ELE) course** as an elective.

- [5904LHS Language and Communication for Arts and Social Sciences](#)

Students whose first language is English are not permitted to undertake this ELE course.

Program learning outcomes

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Program Learning Outcomes communicate to the community the value of the Griffith educational experience as benchmarked against national qualification standards.

Program Learning Outcomes for the **Bachelor of Communication and Journalism** and **Bachelor of Government and International Relations** describe the knowledge, skills and the application of knowledge and skills you will acquire through studying the Griffith program of your choice.

Course list: Students starting Trimester 1 - 2022

Course offering information in program structures is a guide only. Please check the actual offering information in the Course Catalogue.

Year 1

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	1505LHS	Core to Program	Introduction to Communication and Journalism	10
Tri 1,2,3	5904LHS	English Enhancement	Language and Communication for Arts and Social Sciences (see Note 1)	10
			OR	
Tri 2	2509LHS	Core to Program	Media, Politics and Public Opinion (offered in even years)	10
			OR	
Tri 2	2006GIR	Core to Program	Politics, Spin and the Media (2022 offered online only)	10
			OR	
Tri 2	2013CCJ	Core to Program	Crime and Media	10
Tri 1,3	1001GIR	Core to Program	International Relations (offered Tri 3 at Nathan)	10
Tri 1	1101GIR	Core to Program	Introduction to Politics	10
Tri 2	1511LHS	Core to Program	Communication: Theory and Scholarship	10
Tri 2	1512LHS	Core to Program	Communication Performance	10
Tri 2	1003GIR	Core to Program	Globalisation, the Asia-Pacific and Australia	10
Tri 2	1102GIR	Core to Program	The Mechanics of Power	10

Note 1: Students required to undertake the English Language Enhancement course must complete 5904LHS in place of 2509LHS or 2006GIR or 2013CCJ.

Year 2

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	1509LHS	Core to Program	Empowering the Professional Communicator	10
Tri 1	2505LHS	Core to Program	Ethical Communication	10
Tri 1	2001GIR	Core to Program	Introduction to Political Philosophy	10
Tri 1	1507LHS	Core to Program	Research and Writing for Journalism	10
Tri 2	1513LHS	Core to Program	Digital Media and Portfolio Production	10
Tri 2	2017GIR	Core to Program	International Relations Theory	10
Tri 1,2			Government and International Relations major courses	20

Year 3

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2506LHS	Core to Program	Global Journalism, Media and Communication	10
Tri 2,3	2515LHS	Core to Program	Media Relations	10
Tri 1,3	2513LHS	Core to Program	Media Law	10
Tri 1	2005GIR	Core to Program	Governments, Markets and Communities	10
Tri 2	2523LHS	Core to Program	Digital Audio Media Production	10
Tri 2	3013GIR	Core to Program	Power and Policy Making	10
Tri 1,2,3			Government and International Relations major courses	20

Year 4

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	3502LHS	Core to Program	Advanced Digital Media Production (see Note 1)	20
Tri 2	3503LHS	Core to Program	Communication for Social and Environmental Change Project (see Note 1)	20
Tri 1	3019GIR	Core to Program	Parties, Campaigns and Elections (capstone course) (offered in Tri 2 from 2023)	10
			OR	
Tri 2	3016GIR	Core to Program	The Politics of Identity: Religion, Culture and Globalisation (capstone course)	10
Tri 1,2,3			Government and International Relations major courses	20
Tri 1,2,3			Employability elective	10

Note 1: These courses are designed as the capstone experience for the final year.

Bachelor of Government and International Relations - Majors (2 available) International Relations

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2020GIR	Core to Major	Global Security	10
Tri 1	3012GIR	Core to Major	Australia's Foreign Relations	10
Tri 2	2019GIR	Core to Major	Politics of International Law and Organisations	10
Tri 2	3008GIR	Core to Major	Human Rights in World Politics	10

You must complete 20 credit points from the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	3007GIR	Elective to Major	American Foreign Policy	10
Tri 1	3018GIR	Elective to Major	Terrorism, Counter-terrorism, and Globalisation	10
Tri 1	3027GIR	Elective to Major	Business and Politics in the Asia Pacific	10
Tri 2	2006GIR	Elective to Major	Politics, Spin and the Media (2022 offered online only)	10
Tri 2	2015GIR	Elective to Major	Comparative Politics of Southeast Asia (not offered in 2022)	10
Tri 2	3010GIR	Elective to Major	China and the World (not offered in 2022)	10
Tri 2	2016GIR	Elective to Major	Power in East Asia (not offered in 2022)	10
Tri 1	3022GIR	Elective to Major	The Business of Global Populism	10
Tri 3	3017GIR	Elective to Major	The Way of the Dictator	10

Politics and Public Policy

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2013GIR	Core to Major	Political Leadership	10
Tri 1	2002GIR	Core to Major	Australian Politics and Government	10
Tri 2	2006GIR	Core to Major	Politics, Spin and the Media (2022 offered online only)	10
Tri 2	3001GIR	Core to Major	Solving Policy Problems (capstone course)	10

You must complete 20 credit points from the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2008GIR	Elective to Major	Chinese Government and Politics	10
Tri 1	2101GIR	Elective to Major	The Politics of Sustainability	10
Tri 1	3018GIR	Elective to Major	Terrorism, Counter-terrorism, and Globalisation	10
Tri 1	3027GIR	Elective to Major	Business and Politics in the Asia Pacific	10
Tri 2	2015GIR	Elective to Major	Comparative Politics of Southeast Asia (not offered in 2022)	10
Tri 3	2010GIR	Elective to Major	Introduction to American Politics	10
Tri 2	2012GIR	Elective to Major	European Democracy in the Twenty-First Century (not offered in 2022)	10
Tri 2	3016GIR	Elective to Major	The Politics of Identity: Religion, Culture and Globalisation	10
Tri 3	3017GIR	Elective to Major	The Way of the Dictator	10
Tri 1,3	2004GIR	Elective to Major	The Government Business Nexus: Intervening, Lobbying and Responding	10

Electives (1 available)

Employability electives

You must complete 10 credit points from the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	3101GIR	Listed Elective	Work Placement (Political Practice) (not offered in 2022)	10
Tri 2	3004GIR	Listed Elective	Parliamentary Project	10
Tri 2	2008EHR	Listed Elective	Business Communication (not offered from 2022)	10
Tri 1	3114IBA	Listed Elective	Management Problem Solving (not offered from 2022)	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2	3049IBA	Listed Elective	Applied Business Project (not offered from 2022)	10
Tri 1,2 or 3	3001GBS	Listed Elective	UG Business Internship I	10
Tri 1,2 or 3	3000GBS	Listed Elective	UG Business Internship II	20
Tri 1	3035IBA	Listed Elective	Asian Business Research Project (not offered from 2022)	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2	3049IBA	Listed Elective	Applied Business Project (not offered from 2022)	10
Tri 1,2	3400THS	Listed Elective	Career Development	10
Tri 1,2 or 3	2043IBA	Listed Elective	Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2 or 3	2043MKT	Listed Elective	Entrepreneurship and New Business Ventures (not offered from 2020)	10
Tri 1,2 or 3	3020GIR	Listed Elective	Independent Project	10
Tri 1,2 or 3	3002LFC	Listed Elective	Community Internship and Partnerships for SDGs	10
Tri 2,3	3029MKT	Listed Elective	Self-Marketing	10
Tri 2,3	2013EHR	Listed Elective	Negotiation (formerly 3001EHR) (Tri 3 offered from 2022)	10
Tri 2	3038IBA	Listed Elective	The Business of Changing the World	10
Tri 2,3	2034IBA	Listed Elective	Griffith Innovation Challenge (formerly 3031IBA)	10
Tri 2	3014IBA	Listed Elective	Negotiation Knowledge and Skill	10
Tri 2	3102GBS	Listed Elective	Business Simulation (not offered from 2020)	10
Tri 1,2 or 3	3101GBS	Listed Elective	I-WIL in Impact Oriented Workplaces (not offered from 2022)	10
Tri 1,2 or 3	3002GBS	Listed Elective	Industry Project (not offered in Tri 1- 2022)	10
Tri 3	3100AFE	Listed Elective	Engaging with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Business Communities	10

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 3	3016EHR	Listed Elective	Disruption, Technology and Workplaces (not offered from 2021)	10
Tri 3	3003GBS	Listed Elective	UG Global Mobility Internship II	20
Tri 3	2022IBA	Listed Elective	China Field Study	10
Tri 1,3	3034IBA	Listed Elective	Asian Immersion Study Tour (not offered in 2022) (Tri 3 offering TBC)	10
Tri 3	3381LHS	Listed Elective	Power, Politics and Trouble in Paradise: South Pacific Study Tour	10
Tri 3	3036IBA	Listed Elective	The Business of You (not offered from 2022)	10
Tri 3	3037IBA	Listed Elective	The Business of Business (not offered in 2022)	10